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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN EMBARGO ON COTTON TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

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1. CZECH FIRST SECRETARY JEDINAK TOLD EMBOFF OCTOBER 3 THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION BY GOE OF COTTON EMBARGO AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAKIA MID-AUGUST. (SADAT ANNOUNCED EMBARGO AGAINST USSR AT SAME TIME.) LIKEWISE, NONE OF THE EGYPTIAN STATE TRADING AGENCIES WITH WHOM CZECHOSLOVAKIA DEALS IN EXPORT OF COTTON AND TEXTILES HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THE EMBARGO. QUOTA AGREED TO UNDER THE 1977 TRADE PROTOCOL, ACCORDING JEDINAK, IS CONTINUING TO BE FILLED IN NORMAL FASHION. JEDINAK DID SAY HE UNDERSTANDS THERE IS GREAT UNCERTAINTY IN COTTON EXPORT ORGANIZATIONS ABOUT FUTURE OF EXPORTS BOTH TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND THE USSR.

2. REGARDING 1978 TRADE PROTOCOL, NOT HAVING BEEN INFORMED ABOUT EMBARGO AND THERE BEING AS YET NO DISCERNIBLE EFFECT OF
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ACTION, CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAS NOT DETERMINED ITS POLICY TOWARDS 1978 PROTOCOL. NEGOTIATIONS ARE DUE TO TAKE PLACE IN PRAGUE IN LATE FALL OF THIS YEAR.

3. COMMENT: INFORMATION GENERALLY CONFORMS TO WHAT WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY SOVIETS AND EGYPTIANS CONNECTED WITH COTTON AND COTTON TEXTILE TRADE. WE ARE HARD-PRESSED UP TO

THIS TIME TO FIND ANYONE IMPLEMENTING PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCED
DECISION TO STOP COTTON AND COTTON TEXTILE EXPORTS TO SOVIET
UNION AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA. MATTHEWS

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